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AFGHAN ARMY HELPING BRITISH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 18.

Reuter learns that a large and well-equipped Afghan army has left Kabul and arrived at Jalalabad in the neighbourhood of which the murderers of British subjects are hiding. The British military authorities are taking all necessary steps to co-operate with the Afghans.

AFGHAN MINISTER'S STATEMENTS.

The alleged anti-British statements attributed to the Afghan Minister in Paris are officially declared in London to be entirely baseless. The Minister is known to be somewhat unfriendly to Britain. Apart from the murders of British subjects there have been other grounds for complaint in regard to the attitude of the Afghan Government owing to its continual interference with the tribes on the British side of the frontier. Consequently, by virtue of the Anglo-Afghan treaty it has been found necessary to prevent the passage of arms and munitions to Afghanistan until a satisfactory settlement is reached.

TANGIER TANGLE.

SETTLED AT LAST.

PARIS, December 18.

The convention settling the international status of Tangier was signed by Britain, France and Spain at the Quai d'Orsay this afternoon. The Spanish delegates only signed ad referendum. The protocol will remain open some time to enable the Spanish Government to study and test before the final signature.

BRITISH DIPLOMACY TRIUMPHS.

LATER.

The signing of the Tangier Convention is regarded as a triumph for British diplomacy, ending a decade of wrangling. The Convention opens a fine opportunity for British Trade. The port of Tangier will be modernised and capitulations will disappear. British residents will be answerable to the British Court alone. It is hoped the compromises effected will obviate friction between the conflicting authorities—French, British, Spanish and Italian.

LATER.

The Tangier convention provides for permanent neutrality forbidding all fortifications and places the port under an international regime, giving economic equality to all nations.

GREEK CROWN TOTTERS.

"DOWN WITH THE KING!"

ATHENS, December 18.

Prior to the Cabinet's communication to the King the Republicans organised an anti-dynastic meeting, the demonstrators including soldiers and sailors. A speech by the naval ex-Commodore was received with cries of "Down with the King". The demonstrators went in procession to the Premier's office shouting similarly. They submitted a resolution in favour of dethronement. Thereupon the military and political leaders conferred and informed the demonstrators that the Cabinet would consider the resolution.

HOME CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

NEW SCORING SYSTEM.

LONDON, December 18.

The M.C.C. has carried a resolution to the effect that the scoring for the county championship shall be five points for a win in a completed match. Should the match not be completed, the side leading in the first innings shall score three points and their opponents one. In the event of a tie the points shall be divided. Matches in which no result on the first innings is attained will not be included in the table of results.

EUROPEAN PROBLEMS.

LONDON, December 18.

Speculation has been evoked by the brief visit of Sir John Bradbury to Mr. Ramsay Macdonald at Lossiemouth to-day which is believed to have something on Sir John Bradbury's endeavour to secure representative men to assist in the settlement of European problems.

Sir John Bradbury, interviewed, explained that he consulted Mr. Macdonald and also other leaders of parties, regarding suitable men for membership of the Reparations Enquiry Committees.

POLAR FLIGHT.

CHRISTIANIA, December 18.

Captain Amundsen states that agreements have been concluded enabling him to carry out his proposed Polar flight from Spitzbergen to Alaska. The Expedition with at least three machines will go northward at the earliest opportunity flying between May and August.

HOME POLITICS.

GOVERNMENT'S DAYS NUMBERED.

MR. ASQUITH'S PREDICTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 18.

At a meeting of Liberal members of the House of Commons at the National Liberal Club Mr. Asquith said there had been no overtures whatever by the Liberals with the leaders of either of the other parties. He intended to preserve that freedom completely. The Liberals controlled the situation and the days of the present Government were numbered. The Government's record was one of impotence. They had reduced the country to a cipher in the councils of the world and he would not move a finger to connive at the prolongation of their disastrous stewardship. [Mr. Lloyd George said he completely agreed with Mr. Asquith's policy.

WORK FOR BRITAIN.

MALAYAN TIN COYS' SCHEME.

LONDON, December 18.

The Industrial Daily News learns on good authority that it is expected the Treasury will shortly approve the application of the Malayan Tin Dredging Company, Limited for a guarantee. It is stated that the Company propose to carry out extensive developments, including the erection of an electrical power station, electrifying the existing plant and construction of a powerful new electrical dredge. If the negotiations with the Trade Facilities Advisory Committee are successful the whole of the contracts will be immediately placed with British engineers.

MEXICAN MELEE.

FEDERAL FORCE SUCCESSES.

MEXICO CITY, December 18.

The War Department announces that the revolutionaries have evacuated Puebla and that the Federal forces have occupied Almazan and Lucas Gonzalez.

LATER.

It is officially announced that the Federal forces have taken San Marcos capturing an immense amount of ammunition, small arms, and a number of guns. Several trains are steadily advancing on the rebels' seaport stronghold.—Reuter's American Service.

HOME RAILWAYS.

THREATENED TROUBLE AVERTED.

LONDON, December 18.

It is understood that all question of railway trouble has been removed by the award of the Railway Wages Board signed to-day which does not contemplate any serious reduction in wages. All the members endorsed the report, the Companies' representatives abandoning their larger demands in view of the recent rise in the cost of living while it is believed the Mens' Unions are prepared to agree to the abolition of certain anomalies which the Companies consider productive of wasteful working and overlapping.

EMPIRE FELLOWSHIP.

LAUDABLE MOVEMENT.

LONDON, December 18.

The Prince of Wales has accepted the presidency of the fellowship formed in connection with the Empire Exhibition with a view to recruiting enthusiasts in the Empire to assist the Empire trade industry, instituting prizes designed to further imperial education; also scholarships of £1,000 each for settlement of young Britons overseas and the education of young Dominicans from Great Britain. The Mens' Unions are prepared to agree to the abolition of certain anomalies which the Companies consider productive of wasteful working and overlapping.

RUSSIA REBUKE.

NO BARTERING.

WASHINGTON, December 18.

Mr. Hughes has indirectly informed the Russian Government that there seems presently no reason for negotiations as suggested in M. Chicherin's message, mentioned yesterday, and added that the American Government is not proposing to barter away its principles. Moscow should, as evidence of good faith, restore confiscated American property, or make a compensation appeal decree repudiating Russia's obligations to America. The Government cannot enter into negotiations until pronosticada against the overthrow of institutions in the United States is abandoned.—Reuter's American Service.

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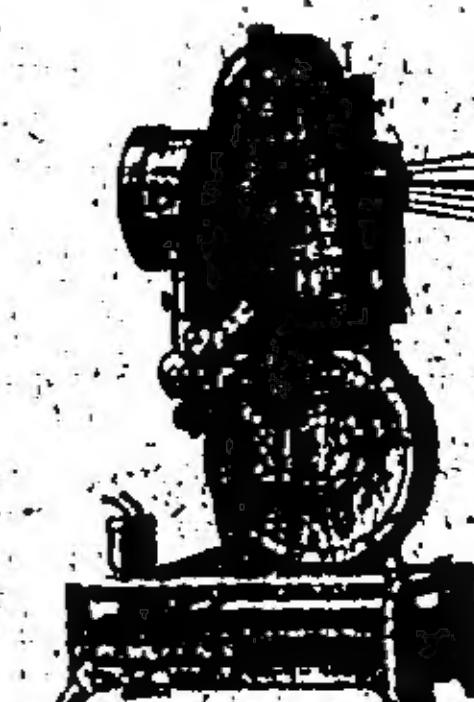
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Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS have received instructions from the Liquidators of the Hongkong HIDE & LEATHER CO., Ltd. (in Liquidation) to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on FRIDAY The 21st day of December 1923, at 3 o'clock p.m. at their Auction Rooms in Duddell Street The Property, Machinery and Plant, and Tanning Chemicals of the above Concern (to be sold in 3 Lots subject to a Reserve)

Lot 1 THE EXTENSIVE WELL BUILT, COMMODIOUS AND MODERN PREMISES situated at Ma Tau Kok, Kowloon, on K.L. Line No. 1267 and 640 which contain

AN AREA OF 110,902 Sq. Ft. held under Crown Lease for 75 years from the 18th December 1911 with an option as to Lot No. 1267 of a further 75 years subject to a Crown rent of \$3608 per annum. The premises are within the offensive trade area as defined by the Sanitary Authorities and a licence has been granted by the Government to carry on the business of a tannery in all respects thereon. The property is situated on the main road between Ho Un and Kowloon City and is in

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Lot 3. Tanning Chemicals.

The Tanning Machinery and Plant will be put up first as one lot. If the reserve price is not reached, the Plant and Machinery will be put up in several lots.

For further particulars including conditions of sale, schedule of Machinery and Plant and Chemicals, apply to the

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Hongkong, 14th December, 1923.

UNCLAIMED: TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited), Protection, from Kobe.

Noble Hongkong Hotel, from Shanghai.

Yagukawa Fukai Yoko Kateigai, from Takao.

Fowler Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, from Shanghai.

Chosen Hongkong Hotel, from Kobe.

Satoeizo Nitohimey, from Kobe.

K. Yamada Hotel/o Waids, Wan Chai, from Kobe.

Hangkow 363 Queen's Road, from Shanghai.

Tong Hing Lung, from Nagasaki.

0679, from Ningpo.

Yenchaichau, from Shanghai.

Yimiyip, Chung Shing Street West, from Tientsin.

Wan Ching 231 Queen's Road, from Shanghai.

Ulyipke, from Amoy.

Tinlee 233 Queen's Road, from Shanghai.

N. LUND,

Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in E. & C. Telegraph Office, Hongkong.

Deacon, from New York.

Hindmara, from Shanghai.

R. M. MACALPINE,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 446.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for [quarries]" will be received at this Office until Noon on Monday, the 24th day of December, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hong Kong and the New Territories, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of his fidelity of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent.	Deposit with tender.
Ai Kung Ngam No. 1	2.15	\$ 650.00	\$ 60.00
Ai Kung Ngam No. 2	.93	280.00	50.00
Tee Tee Wan No. 1	1.84	200.00	50.00
Tee Tee Wan No. 2	1.84	200.00	50.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 1	17.00	3,400.00	340.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 2	14.50	2,900.00	300.00
Lyemun No. 1	1.46	290.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 2	1.60	360.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 3	1.90	440.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 4	.30	70.00	50.00
Lyemun No. 5	3.52	700.00	70.00
Lyemun No. 6	14.70	2,940.00	300.00
Lyemun No. 7	10.39	2,080.00	200.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 1	6.92	1,380.00	140.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 2	9.17	1,830.00	180.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 3	11.46	2,290.00	230.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 4	10.30	2,060.00	200.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 1	6.89	1,380.00	140.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 2	12.94	2,590.00	260.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 3	11.15	2,230.00	220.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 4	6.67	1,130.00	110.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 5	1.87	370.00	50.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 6	3.58	716.00	70.00

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Shaftawan Lot No. 1	37.00	\$ 5,550.00	\$ 550.00
Shaftawan Lot No. 2	40.38	6,000.00	600.00
Kwoloon No. 1	11.10	4,400.00	450.00
Kwoloon No. 2	7.04	2,820.00	280.00
Kwoloon No. 3	4.00	1,600.00	160.00

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St. George's Building, Chater Road,
Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY,
the 20th December, 1923, at 11
o'clock in the forenoon, for the pur-
pose of receiving a statement of
accounts and the report of the
General Manager for the year ended
30th September, 1923, and electing a
Consulting Committee and Auditors.The Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from FRIDAY,
the 7th December, 1923, until
THURSDAY, the 20th December,
1923, both days inclusive.SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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—MR. H. C. SHRUBSOLE succeeds MR. STEPHENS as
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China.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-
ING of members will be held at
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1923

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MARRIAGE.

KINNAIRD — McMILLAN.—At Union Church, Kennedy Road, on 10th inst., by the Rev. J. K. Macomachie, John Daniel Fleming, Greenock, to Annabella Jamieson, youngest daughter of the late James McMillan, Greenock.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19, 1923.

WORK.

We in Hongkong are so far removed from the Homeland that the question of unemployment does not come to us with that stabbing sensation of dismay and helplessness that would be the case if we could see some of the thousands who walk the street, and note the look of despair on the faces of those who in their own brave way, the women, face the situation as best they can. Armistice day appeals, and the news in the Home papers as to the prevalence of distress occasioned by unemployment, relieved in part by Government and charitable doles brings the matter to notice, but there it ends, and can only do so, for there are those who are in charge and whom we expect to find a way out as best they can. They have had plenty of time

make the necessary credits. Once established the sound of the mill and the factory will once again be heard continuously in the land, the number of unemployed considerably decreased, and a stop forward to a state of normalcy gained. Why, if these simple facts are admitted, does not recognition take place? Are the past "sins" of Russia—if such they be—to be retained on the national slate? Is the present state of the country deemed unsatisfactory?—What is it? Perhaps the repudiation by the present Government of its predecessors' loans and debts may have something to do with it. That we admit is a sore matter. We like not these repudiations of national debts. We are at least free from that taint, and have a right to expect others to be the same. But evidently no amount of arguing is, at the moment, going to alter opinions, in this respect. No harm can be done by some sort of recognition that would make a partial trade opening possible. Desperate needs demand desperate remedies, and a recognition policy seems to be the least desperate of the many kinds of "medicines" suggested. Protection, Free Trade, Socialism, Capital Levy—may be excellent in themselves, but where trade is stagnant, and the supply of commodities is arrested and trade succumbs, of no use to any one. Open up Central Europe to our manufacturers—insist on it, recognise Russia, and doles will go and trade revive. . . . Better a nation of shopkeepers than one of slopkeepers.

Blind.

"From the cheerful ways of men cut off" Milton phrased it, and that is what blindness amounts to. The seeing person is able to discriminate and decide; the evil he can "cut off"; the beautiful is ever open to him. Not so the blind to whom everything is shut out. "God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb"; that is unquestionably true. We seem to see in the faces of some blind people a radiance that we cannot catch, that we sometimes envy. It bespeaks somehow a seeing mind; a mind that has acquired something that is worth having. That may be platinous and snug and should not blind our minds to the seeming awfulness of blindness. The "tempering of the wind" probably comes naturally to the one born without sight, or who has been deprived of it in early years; but when it has come when life is still unfolding itself to us, the awfulness of the disaster is appalling. When it is caused by the hands of others in a cause which may be worthy or unworthy, the awfulness is not for words to describe. Those who labour in behalf of the blind deserve something more than the kind things that can be said of them—they deserve the something which is practical. And those of St. Dunstan's deserve both. We applaud H.E. the Governor's permission for the use of Government House for the meeting on Friday. No better use could be made of the official residence. We feel sure that H.E. the Governor and Lady Stables will feel well rewarded if the room is full to overflowing, and that as a result a fresh interest in St. Dunstan's will be kindled that will not die with the meeting. Don't let it be said that Siegfried Sassoon's lines ring true:—

Does it matter?—losing your sight?.....
There's such splendid work for the blind;
And people will always be kind,
As you sit on the terrace remem-
bering
And turning your face to the light.

Do they matter?—those dreams from the pit?.....
You can drink and forget and be glad;
And people won't say you're mad;
For they'll know that you've fought for your country,
And no one will worry a bit.

Two things struck THE PHIL. us very forcibly at the Society's Concert last night. The first one is that to judge from the names on the programme the society knows no bounds. This is splendid. Music is not the prerogative of the favored few. The other is—that with a little enthusiasm on the part of someone, there appears to be the nucleus of an orchestra that shall be representative of the Colony. The thing is possible. It only needs someone willing to do what it pleases us to call "donkey work." Won't someone think over

it? O.B.E. It will be remembered that we gave it as official that the O.B.E. takes precedence of the D.S.O. But holders of the O.B.E. are asked not to be too puffed up on this account. The order is itself preceded by the Masters in Lunacy!

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POINTS OF RESEMBLANCE The new born baby is Toothless, Hairless, Spineless, Helpless, Senseless, The dead image of his father.

The Christian names HOMER of the baby to be Christened "Alfred Homer," and in the vestry afterwards the clergyman who had performed the baptismal service was making the usual entries. When he came to the second name he paused thoughtfully, for the parents were working-class people.

"Strange," he thought, as he recalled the original Homer, the Greek poet, "a queer name for the son of a navy."

Then he turned to the proud father.

"Your favourite poet, Mr. Blanks?" he asked, pointing to the name.

"Poet, sir?" repeated the man with a surprised look. "Poet? Lor, no; I keep pigeons!"

If there are any GRATITUDE who have felt any reason whatever that the Japanese did not fully appreciate the aid given them during their recent time of great need, such a sense must speedily be dissipated by a letter recently received from a "nameless woman" of Japan. It reads in part:

How we all Japanese thank you for your great kindness in this time. You gave us all. You sent us much necessary things and you all are very kind to us. Our thanks are beyond measure. We all will never forget them hereafter. . . . I must write you this, even with such a broken word, as I could not keep secret my thanks. Heartfelt gratitude like this does more to cement nations together than political agreements by the score.

Fowl Fong Lee, fed up with the depredations of his neighbours' poultry, decided to lay poison. According to

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VOTING CONTEST.

OUR FREE \$50 PRIZE,
POPULAR NAMES COMPETITION.

Last week we gave the third list of girls' names, entries for which closed on Monday. The coupons have been entered up in our competition chart. The list of ten names voted the most popular by all the competitors has thus been obtained and each coupon has been checked with this list. No entrant sent in a coupon exactly agreeing with the correct solution and the prize is awarded to the competitor who returned the coupon agreeing most nearly with the choice of the total vote. He is

K. Y. WONG,
93, Wellington Street,
second floor.

CORRECT SOLUTION.

The correct solution, i.e., the order in which the ten names which received the biggest number of votes, as sent in on all the coupons, is as follows:—

1. DAISY
2. HELEN
3. KATHLEEN
4. ELSIE
5. CONSTANCE
6. EVA
7. GERTRUDE
8. MAUD
9. IVY
10. IDA

HOW VOTERS VOTED

No outstanding feature was noticed in this competition, the selections of both sexes being much varied. Daisy, which received the most votes—all names being treated as "items" in this announcement for the sake of convenience and avoiding any misinterpretation as to personalities—can be said to have been a warm favourite but it by no means monopolised the top line of the majority of coupons although there were only a small number of entrants who entirely omitted this name from their coupons. On the whole, the placing of the various names, from the point of view of possibilities of one overtaking another, was uninteresting, there being hardly any changes in the order after about one third of the coupons had been registered. One result of this was that a number of voters who sent in more than one coupon and judiciously changed the order of the ten or twelve names chosen, had at least one of their votes which ran very close to that of the winner in point of actual merit.

THE RUNNING.

Daisy was soon ahead and retained the lead throughout. Second and third were engaged in a ding-dong struggle all the way, with Kathleen leading for a short while in the earlier stages. Helen finished up a moderate second but Kathleen was only a few votes further back. Elsie was always fourth and almost beat the second and third but lost to Kathleen by a small margin. Constance, never appeared likely to get higher or lower than fifth, a good distance behind Elsie but far ahead of sixth. Eva was about eighth for some time until strong support brought it up to sixth place where it stayed on till the end, a small number of votes ahead of Gertrude, the latter being seventh all the time. Maud was as high as sixth at the start but lost ground to finish up a poor eighth. Ivy was never lower than ninth and Ida displaced Edna for the tenth place after the halfway stage. Of those unplaced, the only change recorded was that Barbara moved up from seventeenth to fourteenth place just before half the votes were entered. Edna was eleventh; Frances twelfth, Olive thirteenth, Barbara fourteenth, Sarah fifteenth, Louisa sixteenth, Sylvia seventeenth and Diana eighteenth at the close but so close was the running that a few more votes for any one of them would have changed the order. Madeline and Rachel occupied the last two positions.

THIS WEEK'S COMPETITION.

Readers are reminded of this week's competition for popular cinema pictures shown recently in Hongkong. This contest will be run on exactly similar lines as the previous ones. The solution will be decided by all the voters themselves and competitors should bear in mind that the essence of the competition is to endeavour to forecast what the total poll will choose and not what the individual likes him or herself. There is no catch in the contest, as the prize must be won and it is not absolutely necessary that every item should be correct as the \$50 is awarded to the competitor returning the coupon agreeing most nearly with the choice of all entrants. Coupons will be found in this issue and every *China Mail* up to Saturday. They should reach this office not later than next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Apcar, Miss Addis, Mr. and Mrs. Buckbrough, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. D. E. Donnelly, Mr. J. D. Humphreys, Lady and Miss Leveson, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Marsh, Mr. R. B. Moorhead, Mr. W. J. Patten, Mr. H. S. Rouse, Mrs. A. G. Stephen, and Mr. L. A. Zelenay returned to the Colony by the *Empress of Asia*.

IN BRIEF.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CABLES.

"Down with the King" has been the cry at Athens.

The days of the Government are numbered says Mr. Asquith.

Captain Amundsen hopes to make his Polar flight in May next.

A new method of awarding points in Cricket matches has been adopted.

The Malayan Tin Co. has a big scheme of development in contemplation.

Mexico's war department announce the success of the Federal forces.

The international status of Tangier has been settled by the signing of a protocol by Britain, France and Spain.

A large well-equipped Afghan Army is at Jalalabad in the neighbourhood of which murderers of British subjects are said to be hiding.

The threatened railway trouble at Home has been averted, by the award of the Railway Wages Board which does not contemplate any serious reduction in wages.

The Prince of Wales has accepted the Presidency of the Fellowship formed in connection with the Empire Exhibition to assist the Empire in certain directions.

GENERAL.

Washington.—Exports from the United States in October amounted to \$402,000,000, compared with imports of \$303,000,000, leaving a trade balance of \$99,000,000.

Philadelphia.—The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, Bishop of Pennsylvania, has received a testimonial fund of \$15,000 by the diocese in recognition of his 12 years' service in the district.

Mobile, Ala.—Liquor valued at \$100,000 was seized and 22 persons were arrested on charges ranging from bribery to possession of liquor, in raids conducted by about 50 dry agents here. Sixty-five warrants still are to be served.

St. Louis.—Recommendations that Peace Day be observed each year, that the organization devote itself to the spread of peace propaganda, and that peace be taught children, were urged before the Council of Jewish Women meeting here.

Washington.—A total of 330 cities are now run by city managers, of which 314 are in the United States, 11 in Canada, four in New Zealand, and one in Tasmania, according to a report read at the City Managers' Association session here.

OPINIONS.

SPEEDING-UP.

The other day we were examining a map of the world issued by the British Navy League in 1898—twenty-five years ago. Midst many other interesting statistics printed at the foot of the map we saw the following: "Fastest time for letters to reach Hongkong from London (via Suez) 23 days 16 hours 31 minutes." That was twenty-five years ago. Turbines, Diesel engines, and aeroplanes do not seem to have caused much speeding-up this past quarter century.

CULTURE.

What percentage of the population in Hongkong or anywhere else ever read a serious book unless it happens to be connected with their trade or profession? How many read history, economics, philosophy or poetry for their own sake? On the other hand how many interest themselves in racing, football, dancing etc.? Yes! evolution always was and always will be a slow process.

SPORTSMANSHIP.

Writers of anonymous letters may be divided into two classes. (a) Those who have something of general interest to say and who are rather modest about trumpeting their names abroad. (b) Those who descend to personalities and attack people using the victim's names and hiding their own. The latter writers are rather cowardly as their method is equivalent to hitting below the belt or fencing with a blinded antagonist.

President Coolidge has signed an executive order authorizing Thomas W. Miller, alias property custodian, to sell part of the stock of the Bonded Warehouses Mills (Pastas) N. J., seized by the Government from German owners during the war.

\$80,000 RANSOM.

KIDNAPPING SEQUEL.

CRIMINAL COURT STORY.

How a Canton pawnbroker's son was kidnapped and held for a ransom of \$80,000 was related to the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) and a jury at the Criminal Sessions to-day when two men were charged with having conspired to intimidate the young man's father. One of the prisoners, who was defended by Mr. C. G. Alabaster K.C., O.B.E., was also charged with having sent a threatening letter relating to the transaction.

Opening the case for the prosecution, the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes) explained that the offences related to the kidnapping of a youth named Chan Hin-lung, son of Chan Yun-po, Canton pawnbroker who was also a partner in a Hongkong firm, the Kwok Fook-sing. The boy disappeared on September 25 and the first news of him arrived in the shape of a letter which was sent to the Canton pawnshop and forwarded on from there to Hongkong. On about October 1 the father received another letter making a certain appointment which apparently miscarried.

Later on another communication was received making an appointment at the Sai Woo restaurant at Yaumati and a letter also came from the captive himself. Chan Yun-po sent to the Sai Woo two representatives, one of whom described by arrangement a palm leaf fan. No sooner had they arrived at about noon than the first prisoner came up to the table where they were sitting and asked whether Chan Yun-po had sent them. Some conversation as to the subject matter of the meeting followed after which the first prisoner took them to the hillside near the Chinese theatre, at Yaumati. One of the men went with the first prisoner to a place where another man was standing. During the ensuing conversation \$80,000 was mentioned as the amount of the ransom to be paid for the return of Chan Hin-lung. The letter mentioned in the indictment against the first prisoner was then produced by the other man and handed over unopened to Chan Yun-po's representative. The jury would have to decide, Mr. Holmes indicated, whether the first prisoner was one of the senders of the letter although he did not actually hand the document over.

In consequence of this letter the same representative was sent on October 16, this time accompanied by a district watchman, to an appointed place where they met the two prisoners. The question was raised whether it would not be necessary for the prisoners to send to Canton for approval, if necessary, of the payment of a reduced sum and the district watchman suggested that a further appointment should be fixed. The first prisoner then wrote in pencil on a small piece of paper making an appointment at another restaurant. The note went on to say "hold two pears in your hand." At this stage the district watchman arrested both men and later on certain documents were discovered in the cubicle where they had been living.

When charged at the police station the second prisoner said he had been invited to assist in the negotiations, it being represented that out of every \$100 of the ransom secured he would receive one tael of raw opium. The first prisoner said the letter was given him by a man named Choi King-chee with the request that it be handed over.

The case is proceeding.

NEW BUILDING LAW.

CHINESE INVESTIGATION.

LIKELIHOOD OF PETITION.

During the week-end the sub-committee appointed by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce in connection with the House Building Bill, the first reading of which has been postponed in deference to the representations of the two Chinese council members, had held a meeting at which a programme has been mapped out. The members are now stated to be gathering information so as to be able to give detailed dimensions of various blocks in different parts of the Colony so that the Government will know where the suggested percentage for open space is, in the opinion of the owners, practicable or otherwise.

It is said that when a detailed report has been handed into the Chamber steps will be taken to draw up a petition pointing out the alleged hardships that will be entailed by the passing of the Bill.

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EUROPEAN MISSING.

Wilfred Arlington Pirie Wilkinson, believed to be an Australian, is mentioned in this morning's Police Report as missing from the Hongkong Hotel since Friday night last. He is described as of about 35 years of age, clean-shaven, fair hair, of very smart appearance, and is supposed to have worn a dress suit on Friday night when he was last seen in the hotel.

Inquiries at the hotel revealed nothing further than the fact that he has been a resident at the hotel since October.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A reminder is given of the ball in connection with the M.C.L. which is to take place to-morrow evening.

Mrs. Harry Woods and Miss Doris Woods left Sumatra yesterday by the "Kashgar" and hope to reach Hongkong on Christmas day.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

M.C.L.

FANCY DRESS BALL.

CITY HALL.

THURSDAY, 20th December

at 9.30 p.m.

Tickets \$4 each from

Anderson Music Co., Ltd.

Hongkong Hotel.

Moutrie & Co., Ltd.

and at the door.

Evening Dress may be worn on payment of \$1 extra at door.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG WOMEN'S GUILD AND MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

QUARRY BAY BRANCH.

TICKET NUMBER 54 won the First Prize in the Doll Raffle. Will Mrs. STEPHENS apply for Prize to Mrs. K. E. GREIG,

C/o TAIKOO DOCKYARD, Hongkong, 19th December, 1923.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the Sale, by Public Auction, to be held on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Bowen Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sub-Boundary No.	Locality	Boundary Description	Dimensions				Area	Rate per acre
			N.	S.	E.	W.		
1	Bowen Road	As per map, plan, above	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	acres	£2.00
2								

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE "standardized" have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, December 23, 1923,

commencing at NOON,

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Choice Lot of Liqueurs etc.

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"KARIMALA"	9,146	26th Mar.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP
"NALDERA"	13,993	29th Mar.	B'KAY, M'LES, LONDON & ANTWERP
"SICILIA"	6,631	5th Apr.	SP'RS, PANAG, COLBO & BOMBAY
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"KHIBER"	9,014	23rd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobo.
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PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

Old time memories were revived for us last night and the sight of the choir reminded us of all sorts of choral societies and the things they sing—Elijah, The Golden Legend, the Messiah, Hiawatha and those other things dear to the hearts of big choral society in a big town. Our Philharmonic Society did not venture on those larger and more ambitious excursions, but wisely confined itself to compositions reasonably within its compass and its powers. This is not to suggest that there was anything in last night's programme that was not worth singing, or might have been improved upon. On the contrary, Edward Elgar's "The Banner of St. George" is an extended piece in Elgar's best vein. If Elgar has written one of the finest violin concertos in the language of music he is also responsible for some of our best part songs and choruses, and "The Banner" is one of them. The music so obviously fits the words—and this must also be said of the other items in a diversified yet restrained programme—and in that respect it is a straightforward composition. It is robust and faithfully develops the legendary story of Sylene's terror, the fiery dragon, Sabra the Princess, and St. George. Mrs. Collett sang very sweetly the lines accorded her, whilst the members of the chorus came to the attack with great precision, confidence, phrasing, and attention to detail which was beyond praise. The conducting, as throughout the evening, was very fine indeed, whilst a measure of praise must not be withheld from the members of the orchestra who added immensely to the undoubtedly success of a very enjoyable evening. Popular approval went to item No. 4—a cycle of traditional songs for solo and chorus. These were so delightfully English—or to be on the safe side—British. We have heard "It was a lover and his kiss," "The Banks of Alahn Water," "Early one Morning" and "the Ash Grove" on many an occasion, but, truthfully, not so pleasantly done as they were last night. Mrs. G. A. Clements and Mrs. Mathieson earned our grateful thanks for sheer artistry in singing and we would dearly have liked a repeat. Mr. G. H. Piercy, suffering slightly from a cold if we mistake not, sang "The Peacock" assuring us in fine style of "my delight on a shiny night," and the famous "John Peel" whom we "ken" so well. Mr. H. G. Annes also sang well the sweetly simple "Drink to me only." Yes! item number 4 was tres bon. Whether Hongkong knew it or not, and if it did, whether it appreciated it in its full significance, but a programme with two items in it by Gustav Holst of "The Perfect Fool" fame, is one not to be lightly ignored. Unfortunately we missed hearing item No. 5, but Holst's setting of the 124th psalm struck us as dignified, sonorous and impressive. It was "grandly" sung. This also applies to the opening item "The Inclosure Rock," Frederic Bridge's setting of Southey's story of the good Abbot of Aberbrothok and the wicked Rover. "The Song of Evening" is marked on our programme as "V.B."—very beautiful. The softness and lyric qualities of Ruth Langhoff's music to John Drinkwater's impressive lines appealed very much and was a delightful contrast to the rest of the programme. To those who have spent so much time in rehearsing and bringing their efforts to such successful fruition, a very appreciative word of thanks. If we do not

mention them all by name it is because space is precious and we might inadvertently leave out a name! Having said this so nicely we hope, the Chorus will agree that Mr. T. P. M. Boyan deserves our thanks, the gallant members of the perfect little orchestra so ably led, we imagine, by Mrs. Aubrey, and one other whose name cannot possibly be left out. Mrs. J. S. Thompson whose vigil at the piano forte was in keeping with the singing and helped not a little to make the concert so successful and enjoyable. One other name and then we finish. Mr. S. Collett would be overjoyed at the magnificient attendance last night—the whole of the Colony seemed to be there—a tribute we hope to the Phil: and to organisation. This encouraging success should spur our Society to greater efforts. It is a great thing to have and we look forward to the future with hope.

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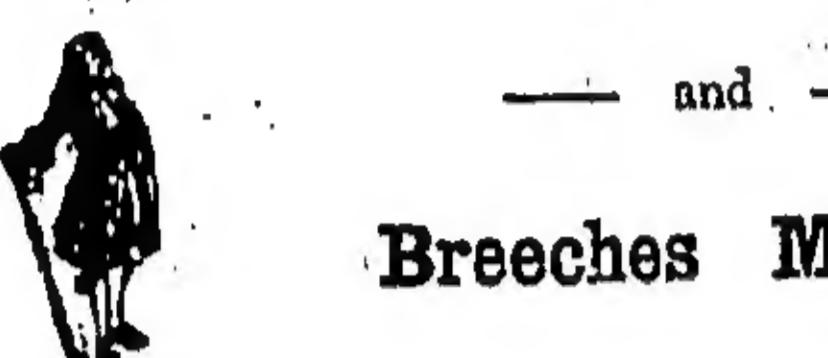
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Yesterday afternoon, Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, accompanied by his staff and some of the ship's company of H.M.S. "Hawkins," flagship, attended the weekly meeting of the court of Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. A presentation was made to the Admiral by the Bank, of a silver cup in the form of a Chinese incense burner, in recognition of the inestimable services rendered by the Navy to the Bank in Yokohama, after the earthquake.

Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Chairman, in making the presentation, said: Your Excellency—it is a great pleasure to have you with us this afternoon and in view of the special circumstances which prompted the invitation we feel greatly honoured by your presence.

We have asked you to come here to-day, Sir, in order that we might express our profound thanks for the gallant and invaluable services rendered by your Excellency, the Captain, officers and ship's company of H.M. flagship "Hawkins" to the Bank at Yokohama, and the staff attached thereto, during the dark days following immediately upon the terrible earthquake which wrought such devastation in Japan early in September. Mr. Wright, the manager at Yokohama, has written in eulogistic terms of the assistance received from the Navy, without which it would have been impossible to reorganise the affairs of the Bank in Japan so expeditiously as has proved to be the case. The help tendered is further proof that the traditions of the Senior Service are being worthily maintained and is evidence of the interest taken by the Navy in the commerce of the Empire. We appreciate, Sir, all you have done since your arrival on the station in an endeavour to protect and advance British trade in these parts, and we sincerely trust these efforts will meet with success.

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Replying, the Admiral said.—In accepting on behalf of the flagship of this extraordinarily handsome present I can only say that the Navy is always ready to do their duty and in this instance, in the face of such an appalling disaster, every one of the nations that could rush to help, and that, the help such as it was, was so appreciated by the court of directors of the Bank, is a source of very great pleasure to us.

I may say that our work at Yokohama was most unpleasant in the midst of such death and destruction, but the least unpleasant, in fact I might almost call it a holiday to the torpedo department, was blowing up gun cotton, the door of the Bank safe. I must congratulate the Bank on the strength and efficiency of their strong-room. It resisted all our efforts till we resorted to gun cotton and then I am glad to note, as you all know, we found the inside unburnt. The Bank leads the mercantile world, and I am sure this is an instance in which they proved it by having the best safe. In all other cases damage by fire or actually baking the inside was the result.

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Matches are arranged by the secretaries of clubs. The committee would be glad if they would arrange to meet H. M. Ships as early as possible owing to their short time in port, triangular matches, if at all possible, to be arranged.

H.M.S. Despatch are doing excellently, they having defeated the holders, H. M. Dockyard, and H.M.S. Titania.

FOOTBALL.

MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

HONGKONG LEAGUE DIVISION I.

Diomedes v. R.G.A., Navy "A" ground at 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. Bailey.

Despatch v. Ambrose, Navy "B" ground at 4 p.m.

South China v. Police, South China ground at 4.15 p.m., Referee, Mr. Spencer.

CRICKET.

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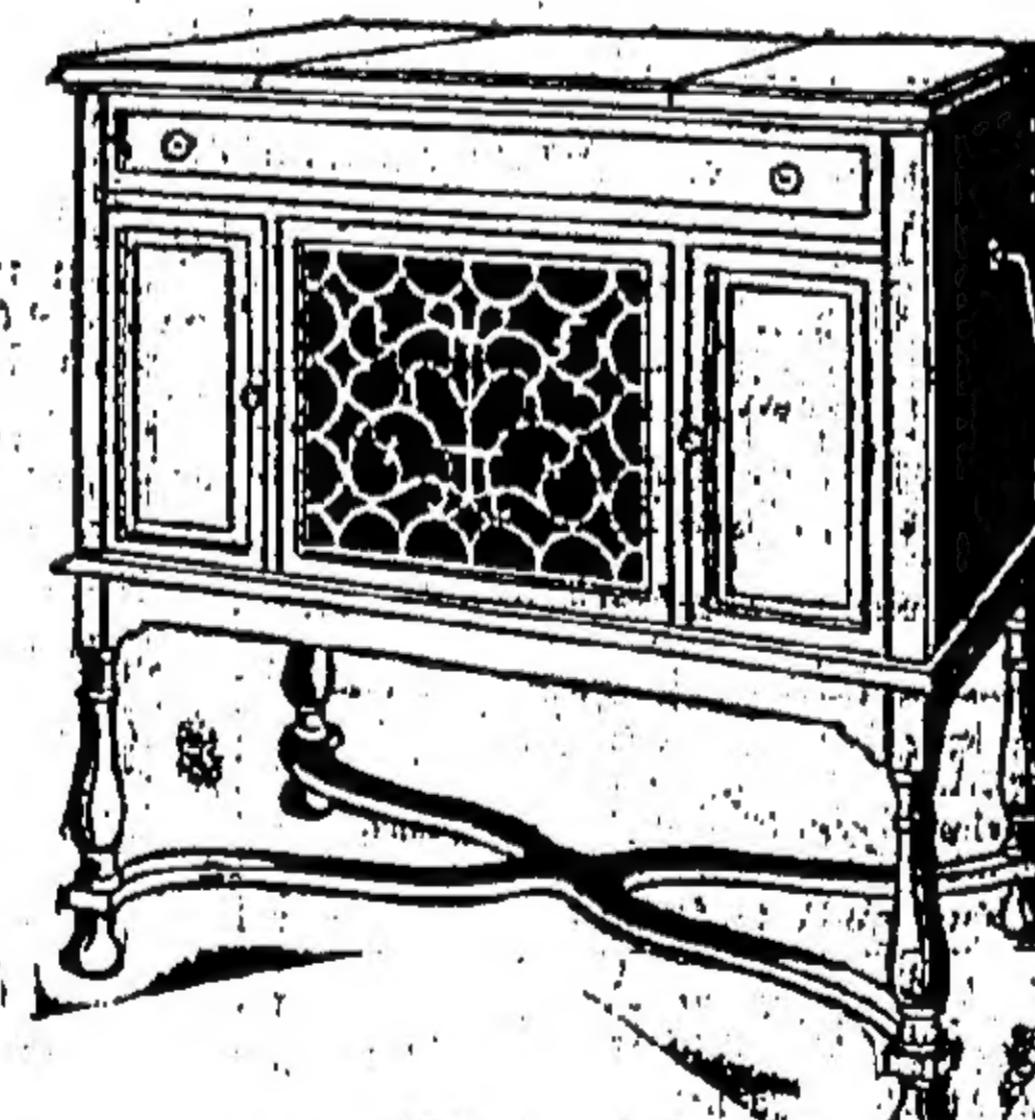
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To some it will be a merry Christmas.

Every woman this week is a shopping scenter.

It is reported that a snake climbed into a Ford car and curled up on the back seat. Its choice of car seems to indicate that it was a rattle snake.

The weather is said to be very sneezable.

Rents are a real high scar.

Dressmakers are very busy these days, we are told. Just now!

The trouble with many Hongkong men is that they suffer from Club feet.

Some people we notice have an over-wearing attitude to their social interiors.

If we judge the fashions aright, it appears to us, impossible for any woman to laugh up her sleeve.

Gas will decide future wars, says an army expert. It has already decided the last General Election.

One result of the proposed strike of Doctors will be that many people will die a natural death.

Carpenter the boxer says that the glove can be made the universal leveller. A little punch of course helps.

We understand that when in America Mr. Lloyd George suggested that Jews and Christians should hold a religious service together. A difference of opinion as to who should take the collection brought the idea to nought.

Rear-Admiral Drury-Lowe, speaking in London, stated that "The security of this country and of the world would be best brought about, not by increased armaments, but by increased understanding." Not we trust by swelled head.

The Bible is said to have been translated by a Chicago man into language that Chicagoans can understand, and we suppose every chapter begins with "Say, listen!" says an American paper. But is this Gospel?

Thousands of emigrants are said to be leaving Wales. There has always been a leak there.

The absence of many American tourists is probably due to our dry season.

"Big decline in Drinking," says a heading. We always knew drinking had a downward tendency.

Although tennis players are generally mild-mannered people, they raise a racket on every conceivable occasion.

Was Shakespeare a Florist? we are asked. Possibly—to save his Bacon.

Someone has said that R.U.R. is a revolting play.

Mussolini who proposed that eight cotton spinners who had worked for one man for fifty years be knighted said that these men were worshippers of the honour than men whose only claim to distinction was that they succeeded in amassing wealth for themselves. Just so. Whilst the first were cotton spinning, the others were wool gathering.

Even the most efficient business man can't get on sometimes when he uses the telephone.

A man may be a credit to his tailor and at the same time be a debit.

In one week three clerical wills were proved at £37,524, £20,981, and £17,007. What humourist was it that said "religion is without money and without price."

Definitions:—
Opinion:—That which is mere prejudice in others.
Prejudice:—That which is an opinion in ourselves.

TICKLING THROAT

Did you ever have that nerve-tickling experience caused by a bit of mucus or phlegm that stubbornly refuses to be dislodged, but tickles and tickles until it sometimes almost drives you mad? Just a few sips of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, swallowed very slowly and allowed to glide down the throat, will stop that tickle and at once give you innermost relief. Try it that way too for hoarseness, bronchial and other coughs. For sale everywhere.

FREEMASONRY.

HOME NOTES.

LONDON, October 26.

When Sir Alfred Robbins, president of the board of general purposes, first decided to visit the United States, with Lady Robbins, it was with the object of sight-seeing and for rest and recreation after a strenuous journalistic life, with attendance at perhaps, two or three American lodges, just to see American Masonry at work at home. But under pressure from various directions, that idea has been broadened into what may be considered an official or, at least, an authorized, visit to certain United States grand lodges, and a heavy programme already has been arranged for him. He has, therefore, decided to refuse all invitations to Canada, as he feels he is bound to limit his efforts to such portions of the United States as he can cover within the time allowed for his stay. Various arrangements for his presence at grand lodges, not only in the eastern states, but the middle west, are being completed.

The chapter house of Liverpool Cathedral is now completed. It is the gift of the Freemasons of the Province of West Lancashire and forms a memorial of the first and second earls of Lathom, who successively held the office of Provincial Grand Master of West Lancashire, and contains windows to their memory. A second memorial window is in memory of the members of the Province, who fell in the Great War. Dr. David Past Grand Chaplain, the third bishop of Liverpool, who has just entered that office, will take the lead in the great task of the completion of the second half of the cathedral.

Sir Robert King Stewart, opening a bazaar at Larkhall in aid of a Masonic temple for Lodge Clydesdale, said that many years ago the Grand Lodge of Scotland finding that most of the meetings of the daughter lodges were held in small and unsuitable buildings, strongly recommended that each lodge should have a hall or a temple of its own. That was a tall order considering that there were 1314 lodges in Scotland, and in Masonic circles it was regarded as a difficult, if not an impossible, undertaking. However, they all put their shoulder to the wheel as true Masons and in a few years throughout Scotland Masonic temples began to arise.

As an instance of the good will existing in Masonic circles in Ireland, the Earl of Kilmarnock has presented to the Kilkeel Lodge a nine-inch oak tablet, made from old seasoned oak grown in Monroe Park, containing the names of the masters of the lodge since 1815. The tablet was designed by Lord Kilmarnock, made by his estate carpenter, and decorated by a member of the lodge.

The origin of the term "free" in connection with "Mason" is again under discussion. One American contributor to the correspondence says that the Egyptians of old looked upon the sun as one of their chief gods, and adored it under the name of Phre, meaning "God of light." "Mai" signifies "to love," and "Son" denotes "brother." Thus the three together signify Phenomenon, meaning "Loving brother of light." Dr. W. Stuart Macgowan, however, suggests that the word "Free" before it had acquired its present connotation of "speculative," simply meant "free" to work without hindrance under the control of the master and wardens of the then "operative" lodges and "free" also from all local dues, tolls, and imposts which were a common feature in the Middle Ages of what we now call "local governments." Ancient brethren were skilled artisans, working, for the most part, under ecclesiastical control, and, as such, like their employers, they were largely exempted from both general and local taxation.

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V.R.C. REPORT.

INTERPORT CONTROVERSY DEPRESSED.

The following is taken from the annual report of the Victoria Recreation Club:

The Club House is in a good condition, all necessary repairs in the building having been attended to. The Library, although small, has been well patronised during the year under review. A special allotment of \$200 was obtained from the Club funds for the purchase of latest publications, and the Sub-Committee were therefore able to purchase fifty-four new books at a cost of \$155.25, leaving a balance of \$44.75 to be carried forward. In addition to those bought, quite a number of books in first-class condition were presented, so that the Library is fast becoming an asset to the Club. The thanks of the Club are due to the following gentlemen who made gifts of books and magazines—G. Willey, F. Schenkel and Capt. Newby.

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Bath-house.—The Sub-Committee are pleased to report a highly successful season. Night Fêtes were held and the sport provided was of a high standard and the audience were large and appreciative. A team was sent to Shanghai consisting of Messrs. G. Sewell (Captain), A. Busschaert, J. Johnstone, D. Laing, J. Lyon, M. Souza, G. Jack, J. Stewart, G. Hall, E. A. Noronha. They acquitted themselves very creditably, being defeated by a very small margin, although most of the straight swimming events were captured by our men. The Sub-Committee deprecate the unfortunate controversy which took place on the team from Shanghai and it is hoped that this will in no way interfere with future Interport contests.

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Obituary.—The Committee announce with deep regret the deaths of the following members since the last annual meeting, viz.—Messrs. E. Bellios, R. A. Gubbay, H. M. Silva, A. Neill, T. O. Wilken and A. Ducomun.

Finances.—The Profit and Loss Account for the past year shows a credit balance of \$273.23.

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ENGINEERS.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced: Mr. Douglas Reid, a sub-accountant of the Chartered Bank, to Miss Catherine Jean Lawson, en route from Scotland per the "Tushimi Maru"; Mr. Charles Henri Jacques Mezieres, cashier of the Kowloon Hotel, to Miss Marie Louise Mouson, en route from France by the s.s. "Kashgar"; Mr. J.M. d'Almeida Remedios, artificer clerk, of 5 Liberty Avenue, Kowloon, to Miss Aida Maria Basto, "Green Croft," Homantin; Mr. James Henry Andrews, a missionary of the Pentecostal Missionary Station, Yunnanfu, to Miss Jessie Biggs, also a missionary of the same Station.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT'S FUNCTION.

Colony, and coolies were living in the partially-built houses. In his opinion the Sanitary Department had a wider function than that of attacking infectious diseases generally. In his opinion it had the general health of the Colony under its control, which made it even more important than the Medical Department. "We all know," continued Dr. Koch, "that in these modern days the main thing is the prevention of disease, which is much more important than the curing of disease." He thought that the Board should have such sanitation as he had referred to well under its control.

The Chairman, Mr. G. R. Sayer, pointed out that the Department was organized to deal with infectious and notifiable diseases and was originally a plague department, pure and simple; even at present four-fifths of the inspectors were used in fighting plague. Mr. Sayer also referred to the present campaign against small-pox, which disease had caused 600 deaths in the last two and a half months. Plague had been responsible for over a thousand deaths last year.

A regards malaria, a joint survey by the M.C.H. and the Drainage Authority would be undertaken. Mosquitoes had been attacked by "training and draining," but it could never be expected that the domestic mosquito would be totally eliminated. Dr. Koch mentioned that buildings were being put up in the

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Beverly Moffatt, Secretary Hughes.

Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes purchased the first button in Washington at the annual Red Cross drive from little Miss Beverly Moffatt, daughter of Admiral Moffatt, Chief of the Naval Air Service.



Adolfo de la Huerta.



Albert B. Cummings.

Adolfo de la Huerta, long a factor in Mexican politics and former Minister of Finance in the Mexican Government, is a candidate for the Presidency in opposition to President Obregon.



Mrs. May Drew Clark, Mrs. Sarah M. Schick, Everett F. Schick, and George F. Schick.

Shortly after the San Diego police instituted a search for George F. Schick, immensely wealthy realty and investment broker, who was reported missing from his home, his wife, Mrs. Sarah M. Schick, presented what purported to be his power of attorney to take over his business. A police investigation led to her arrest, together with that of Everett F. Schick, ostensibly on the charge of improper conduct before the Schick children, but in reality to hold them until it could be discovered whether Schick had been murdered. Clark, it is said, was living with Mrs. Schick, and his wife, Mrs. May Drew Clark, organist in a San Diego church, was aware of their relations and had frequently visited them. The police are digging in the vicinity of the Schick home for Schick's body.



Cora, Countess of Warwick.

Cora, Countess of Warwick, one of England's richest peeresses and member of one of the most distinguished families in Great Britain, was a candidate for the House of Commons in the Warwick and Leamington election, standing on a Labour platform. H. G. Wells, the novelist, is supporting her. She is said to be very radical in her views. Only recently she gave one of her finest castles to the Labour Party so that Labour leaders might spend their week-ends resting up there.



Mother Davidson.

S. M. Bruce.



This a new and exclusive photograph of S. M. Bruce, new Australian Premier, who is attending the conference of Premiers of British Dominions in London.

Miss Bess B. Wetherolt, of Indianapolis, Ind., National Secretary of the American Legion Auxiliary, is leading a national fight for foster homes for the 25,000 American children who were orphaned in the World War.



Pale, weary and so weak her voice hardly carried to the back of the courtroom, Miss Anna B. Hogan, 25, attorney, of Jersey City, New Jersey, defended Ezal Robertson, a negro, on trial in Hackensack, N. J., on a charge of first-degree murder for shooting to death John Barnes, another negro, in a brickyard at Ferry, N. J. So successful was her plea that she won a verdict of second-degree murder, with a recommendation for mercy.



Mr. and Mrs. Horace Gibbs, took to heart Theodore Roosevelt's famous exhortation to safeguard the future of the race. Married in 1902 they have thirteen children, among them a set of twins.

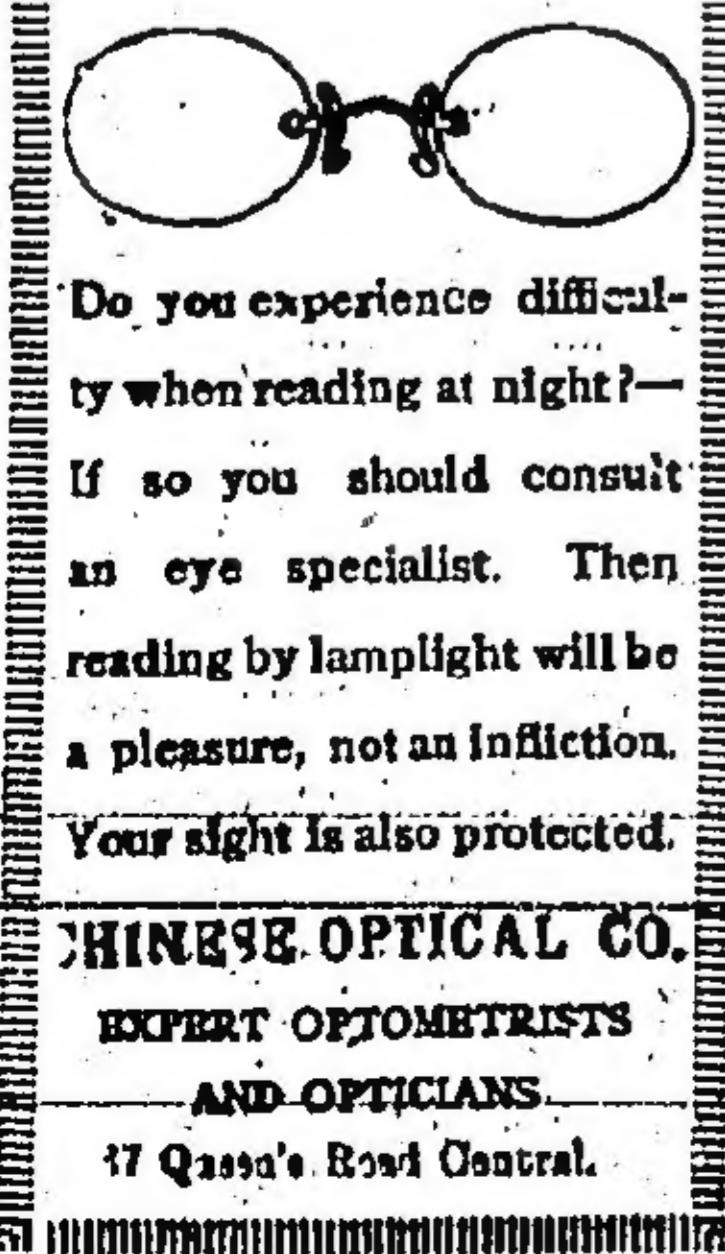


More pets have arrived at the White House, this time two beautiful cats taking up their home there, along with the two Coolidge dogs. The cats were presented to Mrs. Coolidge by a friend and are known as "Blackie" and "Tige," respectively.



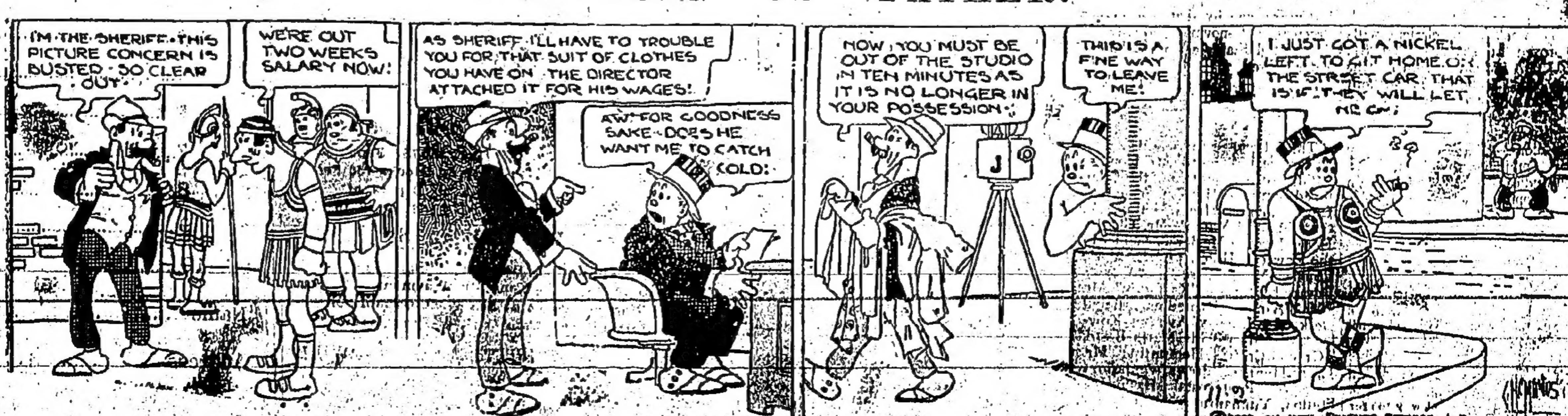
Adolph Hitler, the Bavarian leader, recently visited Salzburg, where he reviewed the Austrian troops, said to be members of the Austrian Fascisti, favourable to the return of a monarchy. The emblem of the Hitlerites—the Swastika—was prominently displayed during the ceremonies.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

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SERIOUS AFGHAN SITUATION.

LONDON, December 17. There is a grave situation on the Afghan border owing to the Afghan Government not yet complying with the repeated demands of the Indian Government for the surrender of murderers of British subjects. Afghan police attempts to arrest the culprits have been unsuccessful owing to the hostility of the population, amongst whom Bolshevik emissaries are spreading anti-European propaganda.

In view of the situation the families of European Diplomats at Kabul have been escorted to Peshawar.

The Government of India is confident that the Amir will consent to hand over the murderers, but in the meanwhile they are taking such steps as seem advisable.

The Afghan Minister to Paris is credited by the *Matin* with expressing strong anti-British sentiments, alleging that Great Britain is desirous of annexing Afghanistan, and declaring that if Afghanistan be invaded, the Afghans will defend themselves to the last man; moreover, they have friends in Turkey and Russia.

COMMUNIST DISCORD.

RIGA, December 17. Advices from Moscow state that the Communist Party's new programme, which was proclaimed on December 5, involving extensive freedom of speech among the rank and file of the Communists, has caused serious discord among the Party leaders.

Kamenev, on December 11, was forced to defend himself against the attacks of Saporov, Preobrazhensky, Smirnov and others who accused the Party's Central Committee of arrogating to themselves too much authority and "not considering the wishes of the rank and file."

Kamenev, in replying, reproached Radek with supporting the malcontents and warned members against converting the new reforms into a mere struggle for power.

The Soviet Official Press states that the situation is most grave and the only salvation consists in the Party preserving complete unity while accomplishing present reforms.

GREEK CRISIS.

ATHENS, December 17. The Government has informed the King that it is advisable that he should leave Greece until the National Assembly decides on the regime best befitting the country. The King replies to-day.

LATER.

Their Majesties are proceeding to Romania to-night. Admiral Konstantinos will be appointed Regent.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

BERLIN, December 17. It is semi-officially stated that the French reply to Von Hoesch's statements of such a nature as to justify the German Government in making detailed proposals as regards the restoration of German Administration in this occupied territories, and the resumption of traffic with unoccupied Germany.

FRENCH CIVIL SERVICE.

PARIS, December 17. Altogether 77 arrests were made during the demonstration of Civil Servants.

Six of the persons detained were charged with assaulting the police. M. De Lasteyne, Minister of Finance, is opposed to a uniform increase in the cost of living bonus allowed Civil Servants to 1,800 francs, as asked by the Civil Servants, and will make the matter a question of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

LONDON, December 17. Reuter understands that the date fixed for the opening of the Empire Exhibition is April 23, St. George's Day.

ROCKEFELLER GIFT.

LONDON, December 17. The Rockefeller Trustees, New York, have made a gift of \$50,000 to the Edinburgh University to erect a clinical laboratory complete with an endowment for a Professorship of Surgery.

OBITUARY.

SIR HENRY KIMBER.

LONDON, December 17. The death is announced of Sir Henry Kimber. [Sir Henry Kimber was a noted Solicitor, and was the founder of the firm of Kimber and Ellis, now Kimbers and Boatman; for many years M.P. for Wandsworth. Decceased was in his ninetieth year.]

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IRISH REPUBLIC FUNDS.

NEW YORK, December 17.

His Honour Justice Wagner, of the Supreme Court, has signed an order making effective the recent decision requiring De Valera, Stack and Bartman to testify against the Free State in the Free State's suit to impress money from local banks, which has been deposited in the name of the Irish Republic.

The order directs that if De Valera and the others be interfered with for the purpose of preventing them testifying, the injunction against the withdrawal of funds will be dissolved, and the Free State will be forever barred from pressing its suit.

The order stipulates that De Valera and others must testify before the American Consul-General in Ireland between January 1 and February 28.—*Reuter's American Service.*

U.S. PRESIDENCY.

LOS ANGELES, December 17. Mr. McCandless, ex-Secretary to the Treasury has definitely announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency.

MEXICAN MELEE.

VERA CRUZ, December 17. A fierce battle took place yesterday between the Federal troops and the Rebels for the possession of Apizaco and Tlaxcala. No details have come to hand up to the present. Rebel reinforcements are being sent from Vera Cruz.

Fighting is also taking place at San Marcos, where the followers of President Obregon are attacking the Rebels.

PARLIAMENTARY PLEASANTRIES AT PEKING.

PEKING, December 18. The Lower House met this afternoon at three o'clock under the Presidency of Wu Ching Ling, nearly three hundred members being present. Wu's supporters proposed a departure from the agenda, which called for a vote on the nomination of Sun Po Chi, in order to discuss the gold franc issue, but this course was opposed by those in opposition to Wu.

Hot words led to blows and a free fight between the two factions ensued on the floor of the House, in which Wu Ching Ling was injured in the face. He gave orders that the police be called in, and had the ringleader, Huang Yi arrested, after which order was restored.

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is established:

ISLAND	FEET
Signal Station	1774
Mr. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1726
Tai Yuen	1726
Peak Hotel	1508
Tai Po Sanatorium	1000
Mr. Davis	877
Portland Rd. (filterbed)	579
MATLAWEA	5124
Tai Mo Shan	5124
Kowloon Peak	1971
Dragon Rock	1645
Shatin Pass	1700
Customs Pau	760
Mr. T. C. Cook	722

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ISSUED AND FULLY PAID UP \$20,000,000

RESERVE FUND.....

STEVENING... \$4,500,000

SILVER... \$24,500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS..... \$20,000,000

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Every description of Banking and Financial Services granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Accounts.

Interest allowed on Fixed Deposit Accounts.

Deposits at the following rates:

For 3 months at the rate of 3% per annum.

For 6 months at the rate of 3.5% per annum.

For 1 year at the rate of 3.75% per annum.

For 2 years at the rate of 4% per annum.

For 3 years at the rate of 4.25% per annum.

For 4 years at the rate of 4.5% per annum.

For 5 years at the rate of 4.75% per annum.

For 6 years at the rate of 5% per annum.

For 7 years at the rate of 5.25% per annum.

For 8 years at the rate of 5.5% per annum.

For 9 years at the rate of 5.75% per annum.

For 10 years at the rate of 6% per annum.

For 11 years at the rate of 6.25% per annum.

For 12 years at the rate of 6.5% per annum.

For 13 years at the rate of 6.75% per annum.

For 14 years at the rate of 7% per annum.

For 15 years at the rate of 7.25% per annum.

For 16 years at the rate of 7.5% per annum.

For 17 years at the rate of 7.75% per annum.

For 18 years at the rate of 8% per annum.

For 19 years at the rate of 8.25% per annum.

For 20 years at the rate of 8.5% per annum.

For 21 years at the rate of 8.75% per annum.

For 22 years at the rate of 9% per annum.

For 23 years at the rate of 9.25% per annum.

For 24 years at the rate of 9.5% per annum.

For 25 years at the rate of 9.75% per annum.

For 26 years at the rate of 10% per annum.

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For 32 years at the rate of 11.5% per annum.

For 33 years at the rate of 11.75% per annum.

For 34 years at the rate of 12% per annum.

For 35 years at the rate of 12.25% per annum.

For 36 years at the rate of 12.5% per annum.

For 37 years at the rate of 12.75% per annum.

For 38 years at the rate of 13% per annum.

For 39 years at the rate of 13.25% per annum.

For 40 years at the rate of 13.5% per annum.

For 41 years at the rate of 13.75% per annum.

For 42 years at the rate of 14% per annum.

For 43 years at the rate of 14.25% per annum.

For 44 years at the rate of 14.5% per annum.

For 45 years at the rate of 14.75% per annum.

For 46 years at the rate of 15% per annum.

For 47 years at the rate of 15.25% per annum.

For 48 years at the rate of 15.5% per annum.

For 49 years at the rate of 15.75% per

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Banks
The Bank of Canton, Ltd.,
Des Voeux Road Central.

Caine Specific Bank, Ltd.
2, Duddell Street.

Building Contractors
Wing On & Co.
Building Contractors,
16, D'Aguilar Street. Tel. Cen. 1587.

Coal Merchants
Caius Minas Admin. (Co. Dodwell & C.
Ltd.), Coal & Steelship Owners,
Macau Coal, Coke, Firebricks.

Cwang Hang & Co., Coal Merchants
13 Des Voeux Rd. Cen. Tel. Cen. 2738.

Gatul & Co., 5 Queen's Road Central,
Merchants, Coal Contractors and
Shipping Agents—Phone Cen. 1543.

Jotton Yarn Importers

Tsuen Kabushiki Kaisha
Importers Cotton Yarn & Piece
Building. No. 7 Mercantile Bank
Building. Tel. Cen. 2774 and 2808.

Jurio Dealers
Loek Hing, Chinese Curios & Silver Ware

Dentist
Harry Tong, Dentist,
1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road
Central. Tel. Central No. 1355.

Engineers & Shipbuilders
W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd.
Engineer & Shipbuilder
Kowloon Bay
New Work & Repairs
Call Flag "L"

Fertilizer
Eastern Agricultural Fertiliser Co., 65 Jervois St.
Tel. 2380. Holgate & King's Fertilisers.

Glass Merchants
A. L. & Co., Glass Merchants,
Furniture, Mirror and Gilt, Marble
Manufacture, Electro-plated, Glass
and Crochet Ware, and Photo
Apparatus. 19, Queen's Road Central.
Tel. Central No. 1318.

Hotels
Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of
Hainan and Hawick Roads. Few
minutes from Ferry.

Importers & Exporters
The Bros. & Co., Importers and
Exporters and Commission Agents,
Des Voeux Road.

Cwang Sun & Co., 55 Queen's road
Central. Ko On (Manager),
Cwang King Hin (Asst.). Tel. Cen. 5168.

Wan Hing Loong,
97-99 Queen's Road Central.
General Storekeepers, Wine & Cigar
Merchants. General Importers,
Exporters of Chinese Produce,
Tel. Central 331.

Land & Estate Agents
Pan Yick Che, Land & Estate agents
Tel. Central 911-1987.
18, Queen's Road Central.

Leather Goods
Nam Kang Suitcase Co.,
Best makers of Leather Suitcases,
Hand Bags, Purse Belts etc.
Pottinger St., 308 Queen's Rd. Cen.
and 38 Hillier St.

Po Hing, 224 Des Voeux Road. Manu-
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MERCHANTS
Asia Commercial & Development Co.—
China Bank Building (3rd floor). Tel. 3800.

Millinery
Madame Lilly, Alexandra Building.
Latest models and creations from
Paris in Frocks and Military.
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LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Kwaihah, (Yuen Hing) from
Macao—Co.'s Wharf.
Poolee, (Tung Woo) from Fort
Bayard—Co.'s Wharf.
Apoye, (Wo Fat Sing) from Sai
Kung—West Point.
Wingang, (U. M. & Co.) from
Shanghai—By.
Suwa Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Singa-
pore—Kowloon Wharf.
Empress of Asia, (C.P.S. Ltd.)
from Shanghai—Ad.
Hydrangea, (Chin On) from
Swatow—Co.'s Wharf.
Soshu Maru, (O.S.K.) from
Takao—C18.
Sinkiang, (B. & S.) from Amoy.
Product, (Yik Tai) from Hai-
phong—C16.

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Struthers and Farley.

DEPARTURES.

Atsuta Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Singa-
pore—December 19.
Suwa Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Shang-
hai—December 19.
Song Giang, (M. M. Cie) for
Haiphong—December 19.
Busho Maru, (O.S.K.) for Takao.
—December 19.

CONSIGNEE'S NOTICES.

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WEATHER REPORT.

December 19th 11h 26m—Pres-
sure changes are slight at all re-
porting stations.

The anticyclonic conditions are
uncertain.

Fresh to moderate monsoon may
be expected along the S.E. coast of
China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 in.

Total since January 1st, 103.51 inches,
against an average of 83.68 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on December 20, 1923

1. Formosa, Channel, N.E. winds
strong.

2. South west of Okinawa, N.E.
winds, fresh.

3. Hongkong to Gap Rock, N.E. winds,
fresh.

4. South east of China between
Hongkong and Hainan, N.E. winds,
fresh.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 19, 1923.—a.m.

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